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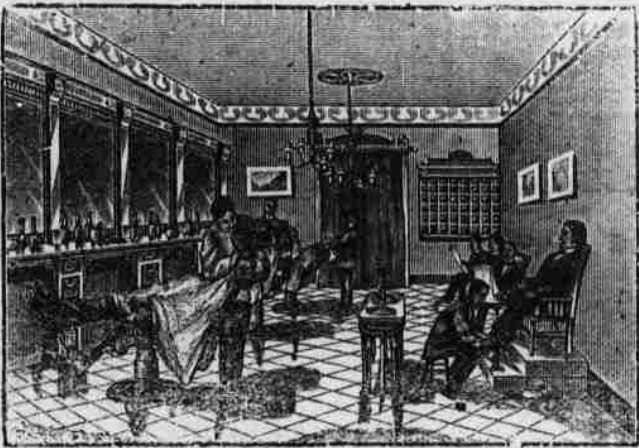
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SALOON REGULATION

Pendleton Launches "Third Party"
Committee Appointed to Draft
Initiative Ordinance.

The "third party" is launched in Pendleton. Its object is to take the liquor fight out of the hands of liquor men and prohibitionists and to see if a system cannot be devised under which law and order will be maintained, the moral welfare of the city protected and the city given some revenue from the business that is carried on, says the East Oregonian.

In hopes of bringing about such a condition an ordinance and a charter amendment will be drafted under the initiative and submitted to the people at the coming city election. These measures will provide for the close regulation of the liquor business in event the business is ever legalized again by the votes of the people of the county.

At the mass meeting Saturday evening it was decided by motion that the chairman, Mayor Murphy, name a committee of five to draft such an ordinance and such a charter amendment and to provide for placing the measures before the people at the coming election. Monday afternoon Mayor Murphy designated as his committee the following men: E. B. Aldrich, Will M. Peterson, J. V. Tallman, Henry Schwartz and Dr. I. U. Temple.

The speakers of the evening favored the policy of a few rigidly regulated saloons, paying high licenses in preference to the "blind pig" system. It was the general trend of the talk that the number of saloons should be limited to one per thousand population, that great care should be exercised in the granting of licenses and that the strictest care should be taken to insure the decent operation of saloons should they again be legalized.

That the "third party" movement is not entirely satisfactory to prohibitionists or to old time saloon men was made apparent during the evening. Judge James A. Fee declared his belief that up to this time the prohibition law has not had a fair trial. Tom Means, who was formerly a saloon man, protested against the attempt to limit the number of saloons in a town.

High School Literary.

On Friday afternoon the High School Literary society met and carried out the first program of the year which was a success in every particular. The society was thoroughly organized and plans made for the term. The state High School Debating league has been joined and arrangements are now being made to hold joint debates with the other high schools of the state. The society was very much interested and helped by the talks and suggestions of Principal Case and Mr. Wilson.

Farmers Install Acetylene Plants
A number of farm houses in this vicinity will soon be equipped with acetylene gas plants. Among the farmers who have already contracted for the improvement, are A. L. Swaggart, Cass Cannon, J. F. Zerba, Jackson Nelson, Joseph Hodgson and several others. It is estimated that acetylene gas is more economical than coal oil, besides giving a much more satisfactory light.

Mrs. Gordon Menzies Dead.

Mrs. Maude Menzies, wife of Conductor Gordon Menzies of the Walla Walla-Pendleton passenger run, died suddenly at her home in Walla Walla Monday morning. At the time her husband was bound with his train for Pendleton, and the news of his young wife's sudden death was a terrible shock to him. Her father, B. F. Swaggart, of Lexington, was in this city at the time and was almost prostrated at the news. Deceased was a niece of A. L. and J. M. Swaggart.

and Mrs. J. C. Stamper of this city. She was a cousin of the late Miss Gladys Bush, who was buried in the Athena cemetery Tuesday. Mrs. Menzies leaves besides her husband and parents, a sister, Mrs. Ethel Sharkey of Portland, a brother, Grover Swaggart of Lexington and a little daughter. She was a graduate from the Weston Normal school and had many friends in this vicinity.

Move Blue Mountain Sawmill.

The Blue Mountain Sawmill company, which has been operating in the mountains southeast of this city, will move their plant to Milton. The capital is \$35,000 which under the new arrangement will be increased to \$50,000. Plans of the company are to build a flume from the headwaters of Conner creek 14 miles from Milton and float the logs to the planing mill. Principal stockholders are Robert Jameson, president of the Weston bank; Will Jameson of Weston and C. W. Avery, managing director.

A PRETTY MORNING WEDDING

Mr. N. O. Desper and Miss Elva Gross
Wed at Home of Bride.

Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gross in this city, a pretty morning wedding was consummated when Elva, their eldest daughter, was united in marriage with Nola O. Desper, at 10:30 o'clock. The groom is a well known and highly respected young man of this city.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. E. Ryder of the Baptist church, and was witnessed by relatives of the bride and groom. The bride was attired in white silk and carried white chrysanthemums, and the groom in conventional black. A wedding breakfast was served at noon, and the young couple left on the 1:05 train for Walla Walla, on a short honeymoon trip. They will make their home in the west part of town, where Mr. Desper owns a snug little home. He is an employee of the Preston-Parton Milling Co.

The Press acknowledges a generous remembrance in samples of the wedding cake.

Weston Man Hurt by Saw.

The Leader reports that Charles Dixon sustained a serious injury while working with a woodsaw near Weston Wednesday. Dixon had held one end of a log which was being placed in the saw. He slipped and his leg came in contact with the buzzing instrument, which laid open a frightful gash a few inches above the knee, penetrating about three quarters of an inch into the bone. The wound was five inches long and required 12 stitches.

DEATH OF MISS GLADYS BUSH

Occurred at Birch Creek and Body Was
Brought to Athena for Burial.

The remains of Miss Gladys Bush were laid at rest Tuesday afternoon in the Athena cemetery.

The young lady was the victim of tuberculosis and had been afflicted for the past two years. Everything was done by loving hands to alleviate her suffering, but death at last claimed her. She died at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Stamper, on Birch creek, October 17, 1909, at the age of 20 years and 2 months. The body was brought to Athena Tuesday and the funeral held from the Christian church. She was preceded to the beyond by a sister and mother, and leaves her father, Willis Bush, besides numerous other relatives to mourn her loss. Gladys was a bright and lovable girl and her untimely death is deeply deplored by a large circle of young friends in this vicinity.

Pastor E. B. Harris of the Christian church officiated at the funeral and the following young men acted in the capacity of pallbearers: Clifford Stone, George Myrick, Merle Robey, Emory Achilles, Ernest Zerba and Roy Walker.

Hodgson Buys Land.

James Ritchey has sold 160 acres of improved land a mile north of Weston to Joseph Hodgson, for \$15,000, and has leased to Mr. Hodgson 200 acres more. Mr. Ritchey bought this place about eight years ago for \$5000. Hodgson is at present farming the Baddeley land adjoining the newly acquired property.

Irrigation Project.

A special from Weston says: A preliminary survey is in progress for the proposed Pine Creek irrigation project. It is planned to build a large dam at Rocky Ford, three miles above town, and to conserve flood waters for the irrigation of about 12,000 acres in this vicinity.

Lost.

Bay mule with long tail and mane, branded 2 with bar under, on stiff. Lost near Athena sometime in September. Any one knowing of the same will be rewarded on notifying the owner.
B. F. Swaggart,
Lexington, Oregon.

FARMERS PROTEST

Circular Letter Which Explains Move
of Merchant Marine League—
Must Be Blocked.

Do the farmers of this county want to see the price of exporting wheat advanced and the price of that staple lowered accordingly? If not it seems they will do well to protest against the attempt of the Merchant Marine league to bar foreign ships from handling wheat.

A circular letter bearing upon this subject has just been sent out by the Interior Warehouse company of Portland to the agents of that company, who are now laying the subject before the farmers.

H. W. Collins, manager for the company for this county, has forwarded a copy of the circular to C. A. Barrett of this city, president of the county graingrowers' association. His letter and the circular, both of which are self-explanatory, are given below:
October 18, 1909.

C. A. Barrett, Esq.,
Athena, Ore.

Dear Sir:—

We are sending you herewith several copies of a circular letter regarding an effort, which, if successful, will practically result in foreign steamers not being available for shipment of wheat and barley to Europe from Portland or Puget Sound points. These steamers have been an important factor during recent years in keeping down the cost of shipping wheat to Europe, and it is certainly true that freight rates would be higher now if these steamers had not been available.

It is a question in which farmers are vitally interested, and you might put the matter up to some of them and see if they are interested enough to protest against this movement. If they are, we can have forms prepared for that purpose and sent to different towns throughout the county for signatures, or if you would care to draw up a form of protest we would be glad to help it. In case anything is done along these lines we will agree to see that such protests are forwarded to the proper authorities at Washington, D. C.

Yours very truly,
INTERIOR WAREHOUSE CO.
By H. W. Collins, Agent.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 14, 1909.

To Farmers and Graingrowers:—At a meeting of the Merchant Marine league of Seattle, the other day it was announced that they had been able, on a showing made of the damage done to coast shipping by foreign vessels bringing out coal from the Atlantic for the navy, to have it arranged with the secretary of the navy that in future all such vessels would have to return to their original loading port in ballast, so as not to conflict with the traffic of coast vessels.

The facts are that with the exception of one or two steamers, which loaded in the orient, and in so doing benefited the lumber trade, all these steamers have been engaged to carry wheat to Europe, a business that none of the coast vessels engage in, and had it not been for the presence of these same coast vessels in the market, it is safe to say that freights to Europe would have been at least \$1 per ton more than they have ruled so far this season. This would have meant three cents less per bushel to every farmer who has marketed his wheat. So far this season fourteen foreign steamers have been taken to carry wheat of a capacity of 80,000 tons or about 2,500,000 bushels.

The question for the farmer therefore is, is he to stand by without protest and see such a policy put into effect for the possible benefit at most of a very limited number of individuals who happen to be interested in the shipping business. It is a case of protection run riot, only in this case it is not the consumer but the producer that is being cinched.

This is a matter that all granges and farmers' organizations should take up and ventilate thoroughly.

Methodist Episcopal Church.
Rev. A. O. Hammond, Pastor.

Sunday service: Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching service 11, Epworth League devotional service 6:30, preaching service 7:30.

Ladies Aid Society every Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m.

Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m.

Sunday evening the pastor will preach a sermon in honor of Jason Lee, whose 75th anniversary we are celebrating. Seventy five years ago, October 19th, Jason Lee preached the first sermon on the Pacific coast. He is called the Father of American civilization in the northwest.

For Better County Roads.

At a meeting of the Good Roads association in Pendleton Saturday afternoon, H. J. Taylor was reelected president for the coming year. Sam Thompson was reelected secretary. In discussing highway problems the convention decided to request the county court to appoint men in the different sections of the county to act in conjunction with the association toward

improving roads. A road across the Umatilla reservation was also discussed and a committee will go over the proposed route with the agent. The county roads are in frightful condition owing to heavy dust. Another meeting was called for tomorrow.

Two Hurt by Horse.

Wednesday night while crossing the street at the dark corner near Taggart's store on Main and 3rd streets, Mrs. Geo. Miller and her little daughter were run down by a fractious horse, and both severely bruised. Elmer Boober, the owner of the horse had unhitched him from the rack, and not noticing the lady in the darkness, was endeavoring to mount the animal. He lurched forward, knocking the lady and child both down, and fell also. Mrs. Miller was bruised about the arm and shoulder and little Bertha was stepped on, bruising both thighs. Luckily her feet were spread far apart or both thighs would have been broken.

TRAVELERS AID POOR FAMILY

Passengers on Atlantic Express Con-
tribute \$90.25.

A remarkable example of spontaneous charity occurred on the Atlantic express between Pendleton and La Grande recently. A destitute woman with three children, all under 5 years of age, was the beneficiary, receiving \$90.25. At Pendleton the woman, with babe in arms and two little girls tagging at her skirts, boarded the train, and when the conductor came to gather tickets the woman produced a handful of small change, saying it was all the money she had and asked the conductor how far that sum would carry her.

Conversation with the conductor and the fact that the children were hungrily eating dry bread caused passengers to gather about the woman, who said she was Mrs. E. Smith and was working her way to Grand Junction Col., to join her mother, and that her husband was killed in Alberta by an outlaw horse falling on him five weeks ago.

Wilbur F. Brock, a newspaper man of Portland, addressed the passengers and repeated the story the woman had related.

Press Lewis of the Grande Ronde Cash company of La Grande favored helping her, as did Mrs. Henry Davis of Joseph. The people of the coach made up a purse for the woman. A committee consisting of Brock, Lewis and Mrs. Davis went through the train and collected \$90.25. Division Superintendent A. Buckley gave money and a pass to Huntington.

PHYSICS APPARATUS ARRIVES

Small but Excellent Equipment In-
stalled at High School

Monday a part of the Physics Laboratory equipment was received at the High school and will be installed as soon as cabinets, tables and necessary receptacles can be arranged to receive the numerous paraphernalia.

The supplies, though meager so far, are those most necessary for the important study of the science of physics, and will be added to as fast as possible. The complete shipment so far ordered will be in by the last of the week.

The consignment comprises articles for demonstration in properties of matter, mechanics, pneumatics, heat, magnetism, electricity, sound, light, and consists of air pumps, electric machines, wireless telephony apparatus etc.

Principal Case has explained many pieces to the students and performed some very interesting experiments. It is his intention to awaken interest among pupils by taking each room into the laboratory to witness some simple demonstration with the physics apparatus.

Mr. Case hopes to interest the patrons at a public reception to be given soon, by demonstrating wireless telegraphy and other interesting experiments.

Milton Land Transfer.

Charles W. Harter last week transferred 942 acres to Louis Harter for a consideration of \$34,000. This land comprises what is known as the old Harter place and is situated about four miles southwest of Milton and is mostly land that can be irrigated.

Lost In Athena.

Ladies Gold watch with initials F. I. P. engraved on case. Finder leave at Press office and receive reward.

Lost.

Somewhere between Press office and bridge west of town, a light weight overcoat, dark color. Finder leave at this office. Reward.

At the Dime.

"Midnight Ride of Paul Revere." Tonight at the Dime.

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Reeder of Tacoma are guests at the Jos. N. Scott home west of town.